

## REMARKS

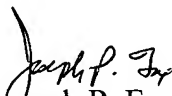
Applicant appreciates the Examiner's acknowledgement of allowable subject matter contained in claims 3-4 and 6-10. Claims 3 and 6 are written in independent form. Claims 5 and 11 are amended to depend from now allowable claim 3. Claims 1, 12 and 14-15 are cancelled. For these reasons, Applicant believes that the application is now in condition for allowance.

For all of the foregoing reasons, Applicants submit that this Application is in condition for allowance, which is respectfully requested. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney if an interview would expedite prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,

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